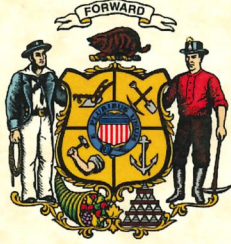


# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; medical coding is defined by the American Academy of Professional Coders as “the transformation of healthcare diagnoses, procedures, medical services, and equipment into universal alphanumeric codes”; and

*WHEREAS*; medical coders process high volumes of intricate medical cases every hour, translating diagnostic data and advanced technical medical language into usable data that healthcare providers can utilize to inform patient care; and

*WHEREAS*; professional medical coders work tirelessly to improve patient safety, ensure quality patient care, and maintain ethical coding of medical claims; and

*WHEREAS*; the work of medical coders tells the story of each patient with speed and efficiency, helping to control healthcare costs for patients throughout our state and across our country; and

*WHEREAS*; in addition to adhering to a strict ethical standard and deploying a keen attention to detail, medical coders are required to continue educating themselves on ever-changing coding updates, federal regulations, and newly-mandated initiatives; and

*WHEREAS*; this year, for example, medical coders are proudly leading the march in tracking vital data related to the COVID-19 pandemic through adjusting to new clinical codes and new procedure codes for telehealth visits; and

*WHEREAS*; today, the state of Wisconsin commends all medical coders for the important work they do every day to support healthcare providers, institutions, and patients across our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim October 2, 2020, as

## MEDICAL CODERS DAY



at the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance  
to all our state's residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have  
hereunto set my hand and caused the  
Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin  
to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in  
the City of Madison this 24<sup>th</sup> day of  
September 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Tony Evers".  
TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

The Governor:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Douglas La Follette".  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State